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FEE CALCULATION							
1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES							
	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		
		<u>Small Entity</u>		<u>Small Entity</u>		<u>Small Entity</u>	
<u>Application Type</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fees Paid (\$)</u>
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	
2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES							
<u>Fee Description</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee (\$)</u>					
Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent	50	25					
Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent	200	100					
Multiple dependent claims	360	180					
<u>Total Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>	<u>Multiple Dependent Claims</u>			
<u>20</u>	<u>- 20 =</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>=</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>		
<u>Indep. Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>				
<u>1</u>	<u>- 3 =</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>=</u>				
3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE							
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<u>11</u>	<u>- 100 =</u>	<u>/50</u>	<u>(round up to a whole number) x</u>	<u>=</u>			
4. OTHER FEE(S)							
Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)						<u>Fees Paid (\$)</u>	
Other: 1631 Basic National Stage fee						300.00	
1632 National Stage search fee						500.00	
1633 National Stage examination fee						200.00	

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In re Patent Application of:
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For: PART CAST MADE FROM ALUMINUM
ALLOY WITH HIGH HOT STRENGTH

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

This Information Disclosure Statement accompanies the new patent application submitted herewith.

A summary/abstract translation of the non-English language references is enclosed.

A copy of each foreign patent reference on the PTO/SB/08 is attached.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 CFR 1.56(a) exists. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(h), the filing of this

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It is submitted that the Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 and the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the listed references.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 22-0185, under Order No. 22131-00015-US.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number-Kind Code ² (if known)			
	AA	US-4,434,014	02-28-1984	Smith	
	AB	US-6,511,555	01-28-2003	Feikus et al.	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
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		Country Code ³ -Number ⁴ -Kind Code ⁵ (if known)				
	BA	FR-2690927	11-12-1993	Pechiney Aluminium		
	BB	EP-1057900	12-06-2000	Vaw Ver Aluminium Werke AG		
	BC	DE-19524564	01-02-1997	Vaw Alucast GmbH		
	BD	DE-19925666	09-28-2000	Vaw Motor GmbH		

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